

# WELCOME TO LINCOLNSHIRE: HOME OF AVIATION

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*..... the best place to visit!*

Tranquil countryside and fascinating heritage sights await you in North Lincolnshire, the perfect destination. Centrally located within the UK it is ideal for an overnight stay or mini break. Two large hotels, the Forest Pines and Hampton by Hilton offer excellent rates and have up to 180 rooms with good facilities for guests to rest their head after a busy day of exploring our delightful county.

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#### EPWORTH & THE ISLE OF AXHOLME DAY 1

Spend a day discovering the unique and mysterious Isle of Axholme. Why not spend a day in Epworth visiting the boyhood home of John Wesley, the church where he was christened and the Wesley Methodist Memorial church which is dedicated to the memory of John and his hymn writing brother Charles.

9.30am Begin your day with a guided tour of Epworth Old Rectory where both John and Charles Wesley were born. There are period rooms and informative displays on this remarkable family.

11am Visit St Andrew's Church in the town where Samuel Wesley, father of John and Charles, was rector. See the font where John and Charles were baptised and Samuel's grave from where John preached, which is situated just outside.

12.30pm Why not take lunch at the Lemon Tree Tearoom based within Holmes and Gardens Garden Centre and indulge in a little retail and gardening therapy as well? There's a tasty menu to choose from and the garden centre is packed with all those gardening must haves

3pm Take a tour of the Wesley Methodist Memorial Church which is dedicated to the memory of John and Charles Wesley. Set within formal grounds the church has a remarkable stained glass window which depicts both John & Charles as they look towards their family home.

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## AWARD WINNING BRIGG FARMERS' MARKET AND GARDEN CENTRE DAY 2

The market town of Brigg was once the main crossing point on the River Ancholme and was the main hub for activity in the area. You can see the Bronze Age 'Raft' rescued from the River Ancholme in Brigg's very own Heritage Centre located in the former coaching inn. With over 800 years of market tradition it is no surprise that Brigg is home not only to a thriving Thursday market but also to an award winning Farmers' Market held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month. Speciality shops are also well worth a visit in Brigg with everything from designer shoes and clothes to handmade jewellery and home wares. Just on the outskirts of the town is Brigg Garden Centre. Here you'll find everything imaginable for your garden from thousands of plants, seeds and bulbs to pots and landscaping. There's a well-stocked shop with everything from garden tools to ornaments for your home.

9.30am Begin your day at the Farmers' Market situated in the Market Place. There are around thirty four stalls selling quality local produce. With artisan breads and chocolate, scrumptious cupcakes and a dazzling choice of jams and preserves you'll be spoilt for choice. There are organic vegetables, handmade fishcakes, free range pork, beef and lamb and even venison and ostrich on offer. The friendly producers are more than happy to discuss recipe ideas and give cooking tips so don't be shy – just spoil yourself.

11am A warm welcome awaits you at the Brigg Heritage Centre. Situated on the first floor of The Angel, a former 17th Century coaching inn the Brigg Heritage Centre is a labyrinth of rooms and discoveries. The star exhibit, the Bronze age 'Raft' found nearby in the river Ancholme, sets the scene for a fascinating journey, charting the rise of Brigg as an important and influential, market place through to the picturesque town you see today. With temporary exhibitions, talks and events there is always something new.

1pm Arrive at Brigg Garden Centre to indulge the gardener in you. From the huge plant area to the beautiful gift department, the children's play area to the 450 plus seater restaurant. Brigg Garden Centre is the destination centre for the keen gardener and for those who enjoy a great day out with the family. As one of the largest garden centres in the UK, Brigg offers you a unique shopping experience with everything you need for the home and garden along with a great day out for all the family. A fantastic new play area has recently been added to the centre and there are regular events and offers on all year round

5pm Depart Brigg Garden Centre for home.

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